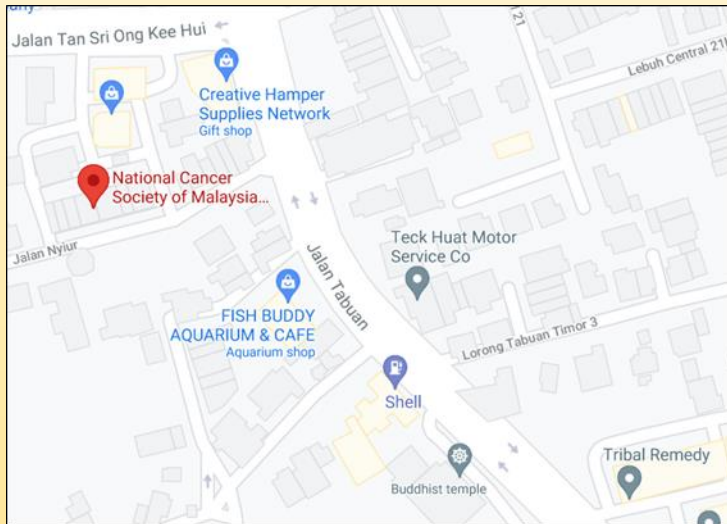




# The National Cancer Society of Malaysia, Sarawak Branch



- **Branch of National Cancer Society of Malaysia**

- **Mission :**

“To ensure that no Malaysian fears cancer by **creating an understanding of cancer** that leads to prevention and early detection, and by **providing the best possible care and support** for those affected by cancer”

- **Member of Malaysian Hospice Council**

- Umbrella body of hospice and palliative care organizations in Malaysia.

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# OUR ACTIVITIES

- Palliative Home Care
- Loan of medical equipment
- Public Education/ Awareness
- Training



## Community Project

- Participate in COVID-19 Vaccination Volunteer Programme

# CHALLENGES

**Cancer awareness** requires constant input of new ideas and approaches.

**Palliative Care** is a relatively new concept in medicine and has yet to fully penetrate the medical fraternity and the public.

1. Patients are referred very late for palliative care.
2. Palliative home care is misinterpreted to be nursing care.
3. Fear of use of opiates resulting in suboptimal treatment for the patient.
4. Lack of psychosocial support during End Of Life (EOL)
5. No palliative care trained personnel outside of NCSMSB operational area.
6. Covid-19 pandemic is an additional physical and psychological burden.

# FUTURE PLANS

Unable to formalise any future plans due to the uncertainty of the Covid-19 pandemic.